GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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AUTONOMY TO R.P.F.
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways are considering more autonomy for the Railway Protection Force (RPF);

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Railways are considering to modernize the Railway Protection Force (RPF);

(d) if so, the details thereof

(e) whether the Railways are also considering to grant better reward package to RPF for thecommendable work of passenger safety and better protection and security of railway property; and

(f) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a): No, Sir.

(b): Does not arise.

(c) and (d): Modernization of the Railway Protection Force (RPF) has already been taken up. Steps have been taken to provide Transport, wireless equipments, modern weaponry, security gadgets, computers, training equipments, gymnasia etc. as part of modernization programme.

(e) and (f): No, Sir. However, the following awards already exist:-

(i) President`s Police Medal for Distinguished Service.

(ii) Indian Police Medal for Meritorious Service.

(iii) Railway Minister`s Medal for Bravery.

(iv) Railway Minister`s Medal for Best Investigation.

(v) Director General`s Commendation and Insignia.